

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Patent Application of:

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Serial No.: Not yet assigned

Group Art Unit:

Filed: Herewith

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For: MUTATIONS IN AND GENOMIC
STRUCTURE OF HERG - A LONG
QT SYNDROME GENE

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Prior to examination of the above-identified application, please make the following amendments.

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

On page 1, line 9, between "is" and "a" please insert --a divisional of Serial No. 09/226,012, filed 6 January 1999, now allowed, and is--.

On page 1, line 9, following "1998," please insert --now abandoned,--.

On page 1, line 10, please change the second occurrence of "is" to --are--.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel claims 1-10, 19-21 and 26-28.

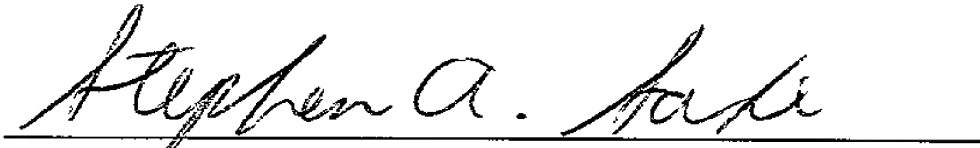
REMARKS

This application is being filed as a divisional application of Serial No. 09/226,012 which has been allowed. The specification has been amended to refer to the parent application and to

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update the status of the parent application which has been abandoned. The claims have been amended to cancel those claims which were examined in the '012 application.

Respectfully submitted,

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